

## SENTINEL SPECIALS.

## Royal Reception to Felix at the Mobile Mardi Gras Carnival.

Doings of the City Council of Richmond, Indiana—A Batch of Interesting News From Madison.

## MARDI GRAS IN MOBILE.

The Mystic Societies Reception to Felix.

Special to the Sentinel.

MOBILE, Ala., Feb. 17.—Mobile's Mardi Gras Carnival, her fifty-fifth anniversary of Secret Mystic Societies, was celebrated today with more brilliancy and lavish display than ever before.

Four separate societies, numbering hundreds of men with fifty-five elaborately decorated "floats" (platforms for moving tableaux) comprised the pageants, with thousands of groups and individual maskers and mummers, on foot and horseback and in all sorts of vehicles.

Many thousands of strangers crowded trains and boats for two days; and to-night not less than 40,000 persons witnessed the brilliant night pageant.

The ceremonies begin with the arrival of the Emperor Felix, Sublime Sovereign of the Empire of Joy, on Monday evening; and his reception by his Household Staff and bodyguard; with escort of the First Regiment of State troops, the Alabama First State Artillery Company and the Fire Department. The city is already decorated with all kinds of devices, and colored lamps.

At noon today the Knights of Revelry, the Senior Day Society, and Chosen Mystic Body Guard of the Emperor, escorted him through the city streets, followed by the Keweenaw Boys and a large procession of varied maskers.

The Knights of Revelry made a beautiful parade. "Man and Material" was illustrated on seventeen handsome floats, seeming to move by themselves, the horses being seen in the parade. The magnificent mystic device of Crown, Bowl, Cross, and sword, and Masks of Tragedy and Comedy came first; then floats richly representing in statuary of gold, iron, silver, marble, bronze and various "Progress" in the following subjects: Agriculture, manufactures, machinery, commerce, travel, discovery, astronomy, mining, horticulture, art, fashion, music, war, sport, literature; and finally the grand throne car of Felix, the Emperor. This time he is Sublime Majesty masqueraded as King Cole, surrounded by his fiddlers three, pipe and bow bearers, etc.

The Keweenaw Boys represented a traveling circus, with fifteen floats for animal cages and side shows, riders on pads, snake charmers, etc. It was an extremely clever parody on the circus car, from the band wagon to the callopie screaming at the rear. Shouts of laughter greeted the "Keweenaw" all along the line, and their procession was voted superior to the clever parody last year of "Dr. Carver's Wildest West Show."

TO-NIGHT'S MYSTICS were the most beautiful ever seen here, and old experts declared them by far the finest ever yet seen in the South. The elder society, the

ORDER OF MYSTICS, celebrated its eighteenth anniversary with a grandly beautiful pageant of "Chimeras," the fourteen richly colored floats, glittering with foil and gold and jewels, showing scenes in the erratic life of Don Quixote and his greasy squire, Sancho Panza. Seldom has the art of decoration been put to more severe test; but it stood it well, and the glitter of dawn of light and color was so tastefully combined as not to detract from the clever unity of the ideas. The scenes shown, carrying some eighty characters, were: Eccentric Fancies, Wind Mills, Mahomet of Gold, the Crown of Trebizondia, Treason, Incantation, Remorse, A True Knight, Eucharist, Appetite, Grandness, Myriad Postscript. The beautiful emblem of the society (fully enacting Death around a broken marble pillar) preceded the parade, followed by a rich and glittering float depicting the Design of the

To-night, also, paraded for the fifteenth anniversary

your guest of the Night Clubs, but excelled by not in taste and elegance of their successive pageants. This time the Infants came at their time the popular but grand "Fall of Jericho," illustrated by eight huge and truly magnificent floats, interpreted by brilliant bands of armed and armored riders of the ancient wars. For years the Infant Mystics have been known as facile princes of Mystic Mimicry; but to-night they beat the record and scored such a triumph as never was known for them before. The subjects chosen from their theme for illustration in their grand moving pictures were: Council of the Kings, Joshua and the Angel, Rahab and the Spies, the Ark of the Covenant, the Seven Trumpets, Jericho Falls, Collecting the Spoils, and Joshua saves Rahab.

And so moving into Lenten fast, through light and color and beauty, the fifty-fifth anniversary of Mobile Mystics passed into a record only to be awakened no more until the Mardi Gras of 1886.

Richmond Items.

Special to the Sentinel.

RICHMOND, Ind., Feb. 17.—The City Council last night, after months of delay, uncertainty and vexatious litigation, adopted by ordinance the system of waterworks built by the Wiley Construction Company. The reservoir of which shall contain two acres of water surface and not less than 4,000,000 gallons of water, and that the height of the water line shall be 162 feet above Eighth and Main streets. This settles a troublesome question which has occupied the attention of our court, people and some of the leading attorneys of the State for many months past. The Wiley Construction Company at our last term of court brought suit against the city, employing Messrs. Harrison and Hendricks of Indianapolis, in which the company was defeated, since which time they have endeavored to patch up a truce with the city, with the above result.

The Council also passed an ordinance authorizing the purchase of a tract of land lying east of the city, called "Glen Miller," for the sum of \$35,000 cash. This scheme has been bitterly opposed by a large number of citizens as a useless bur-

den, entailing annually a large expense to beautify and maintain it in good order; which expenditure is well founded, as the purchase was not necessary, and the city of Richmond is not so large and never will be as to require a park to serve as a retreat for the weary citizen who spends the week hemmed in by the brick walls of the town; a moderate walk of a mile or two in any direction will take him to green fields and pleasant woodlands out of sight of the dirty town which he left behind. The proper course would be to reduce taxation which is a grievous burden on thousands of our poorer class, and thus enable many of them to save their little homes from tax sale, as a home is of far greater importance to them than a park. A shift of greater necessity to the average man than a diamond pin.

Squire Coule, one of our Justices of the Peace, died suddenly while visiting his brother in Illinois recently. We have not learned the cause of his death as yet. He was esteemed as a citizen, and as a Justice he was above the average, having good common sense and a clear knowledge of the law.

Doings at Madison.

Special to the Sentinel.

MADISON, Feb. 17.—Navigation on this part of the Ohio River is still suspended, owing to heavy ice from above which is passing.

The latest industry added to our manufacturing list is the Peerless Belt Company, who will endeavor to supply the light-tights with the latest styles. Joe E. Marks is President and Charles Hagedorn Secretary and Manager.

Harvey was visited last week by burglars, who went unobserved to residences of several of the prominent citizens and took a small amount of money from one, and the others' kitchens were tapped when they proceeded to the school house, built a fire and hid in peace, and ere daybreak they had departed.

Miss Lillie Roe, of this city, daughter of the late State Senator, Dr. Roe, has been selected as one of the characters of American history for the New York medalion collection.

Last Saturday a seven-year-old boy of Ignatz Zick, a poor German, died of measles and was buried yesterday morning. Just before the funeral took place the second little one, six years old, died also of the measles. Several others of the family are in bed.

Hon. Charles L. Jewett spent Sunday in this city.

The Young Men's Christian Association has been reorganized here, with Mr. John A. Carney as President, Mons Coulter Secretary, and Joseph Hitz Treasurer. They are to hold their first night at Trinity Church. The membership is increasing daily.

Mr. Jacob Eberle, proprietor of the new custom grinding mill, corner of Walnut and Main, was arrested yesterday, charged with attempting to commit a rape on his niece, Mrs. Jacob Knoebel. He is in turn preferred charges against Mr. Jacob Knoebel and Will Kriel, to make them keep the peace. All parties gave bail. The matter will be tried in Squire Craven's Court tomorrow.

The Grand Army of the Republic of this city will present the name of Colonel Whitsett for Grand Commander of the State.

Seymour Items.

Special to the Sentinel.

SEYMOUR, Ind., Feb. 17.—Word was received here yesterday from Verona, Mo., announcing the death of Mrs. John Maxwell, aged 72 years. Her maiden name was Mahala Weddle, and born in Virginia. She came to this county with her parents nearly seventy years ago. She was an estimable lady and was well known to the early settlers here.

Gibson & McDonald made and shipped over 4,000,000 light barrel staves, John McDonald & Co. over 3,000,000, and F. E. & F. M. Scott, 2,500,000 slack barrel staves from here last year.

It was learned last week that two young men residing in Salt Creek Township, who have for some time been suspected of being light-fingered, are the guilty parties who robbed Mrs. A. W. Brown, near Freestown, of \$100 and of stealing a set of doctor's instruments in the same neighborhood, and selling them, decamped between two days for parts unknown.

Hugh Conley died at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Biddie Hamilton, near Shields, Sunday night, aged about sixty-four years. He was once well known at Indianapolis, where he assisted in railroad building some forty years ago.

Blockade Cleared.

Special to the Sentinel.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Feb. 17.—The snow blockade on the north end of the Pan-Handle was cleared to-day after forty-eight hours hard work. The South-bound train from Chicago, due here Sunday night, got here at six o'clock to-night.

Died of Consumption.

Special to the Sentinel.

SCOTTSDALE, Ind., Feb. 17.—Mrs. John W. Miner died to-day, after a lingering illness of consumption. She was an estimable lady, and is mourned by a large circle of friends.

Harvard College.

Boston, Feb. 17.—The Faculty of Harvard College has decided upon a new scheme of admission requisites. The most important change is in making admission examinations in Greek optional with the students. This is considered a great victory for the anti-classics.

Extensive Fire.

MATSHALL, Ill., Feb. 17.—A fire broke out here at 2 o'clock this morning and destroyed half of the business portion of the town before it was under headway. Loss, \$40,000.

INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—1 a. m.

For the Ohio and Tennessee Valley—Local snows followed by colder, clearing weather, northerly winds, higher barometer.

For the Upper Lake Region—Fair weather, northwest to southwest winds, generally colder.

For the Upper Mississippi Valley—Generally colder, fair weather, north westerly winds, higher barometer.

Sudden Deaths.

Mrs. Anna Schaeffer died suddenly at her room in Wright's Block on Massachusetts avenue yesterday morning. It was thought that she might have committed suicide, but a post mortem was held which proved that she died of heart disease.

Jerry McGowan, of North Indianapolis, dropped dead yesterday morning while dressing. He died of paralysis, with which he has been troubled for some time past.

"The Sepoy Mutiny"

The lecture announced for last night on the Sepoy rebellion, by Dr. L. G. Hay, at the Tabernacle Church, was postponed two or three weeks on account of the snow storm.

## THE RAILWAYS.

The Terre Haute and Southeastern Under the Control of Mr. Mackay, of the E. and T. H.—The Trunk Line Pool.

Snowplows are in use on nearly all of the Indianapolis roads.

The signal towers on the Belt Road just east of the city are doing good service.

The offices of the Chicago and Ohio River pool will be removed from this city to Chicago early in March.

The same Western paper which a few days ago tried to make it appear that Commissioner Fink had been offered and would accept the First Vice Presidency of the Missouri Pacific system, now jumps into the ring with a rumor that he is to be appointed President of the Louisville and Nashville. When rumor No. 1 came to Mr. Fink's ears, he said: "This statement, as far as I am concerned, is without foundation." It will turn out, no doubt that there is just about as much truth in rumor No. 2 as there was in No. 1, for it is generally conceded that Mr. Fink will take service with a prominent Eastern road in the event that he resigns his present position. The latest is that his friends have arranged him to serve as Consulting Commissioner for another year. It is not likely, however, that there is any truth in this report, for Mr. Fink can not be easily persuaded.

A wild rumor has been afloat for several days past to the effect that the Terre Haute and Southeastern was to fall into the hands of either the Vandalia or Evansville and Terre Haute people. President Joseph Collett, of the T. H. and S. E., on being asked if there was to be any change said that after to-morrow President Mackay, of the E. and T. H. would look after the affairs of the road and trains will hereafter enter Terre Haute over the Evansville and Terre Haute tracks.

The talk of the E. and T. H. amounts to nothing. The owners of the Terre Haute and Southeastern are President W. R. McKee, of the Vandalia; President Mackay, of the E. and T. H., and Joseph Collett. These persons purchased the road from the Tull brothers. The chance that is to be made is simply for better facilities. Hereafter all the switching of the T. H. and S. E. at Terre Haute will be done in the E. and T. H. yards. The yard force of the latter road will be increased.

A bill has been prepared in which some of the features of the recent message of Governor Robinson concerning the Hoosac Tunnel are included, and will be presented to the Massachusetts Legislature within a few days. The bill referred to authorizes the incorporation of the Boston, Hoosac and Northwestern Railroad Company, with authority to issue \$15,000,000 preferred and \$15,000,000 of common stock, and also bonds to the extent of \$15,000,000. The \$15,000,000 of common stock is to be given to the Commonwealth in exchange for the Troy and Greenfield Railroad, the Hoosac Tunnel, and if within four months the Fitchburg Railroad fails to become consolidated with the new railroad, then the Boston, Hoosac and Northwestern may construct a new railroad to Boston; or, if thought advisable, unite and consolidate with the Central Massachusetts, Boston and Albany, or New York and New England Railroad.

Regarding the probable breaking up of the pool, the New York Commercial Advertiser says: "Such a result would be better for general trade than any combination among railroads themselves, since, if continued, it would destroy the injurious practice of building roads merely to sell to established companies. There was no sufficient reason in traffic to justify the building of either the Nickel Plate or the West Shore Line, any more than there was some years ago for the building of the Canada Southern Line. But the Canada Southern and the Nickel Plate were eventually taken up by companies with which they came in competition, and the same calculation is made today as to the West Shore Line. Let each company free to seek and transact business in its own way, without regard to any Pool Commissioner, and business will so adjust itself that the strong will get the benefit of their strength, and the weak will be pumped in such a way as to invite the intrusion of new players into a business which requires a good deal of solid capital."

ANUNEMENTS.

"COLLARS AND CUFFS" AT ENGLISH'S.

Quite an increase in the audience was manifest last night over that of Monday night, at English's. Miss Beane and Charles Gilday, in their new play of "Collars and Cuffs," have full sway to display their song and mirth-provoking powers, and take advantage and make the best of it. The "roof scene" and also "the table scene" are original and very rare, and are worthy the trouble of a walk through a foot of snow to see. To-night is the last of the engagement. Matinee this afternoon; twenty-five cents admission to all parts of the house. This morning the sale of seats opens for Lizzie May Ulmer in "Dad's Girl" the last three nights of the week.

"Dad's Girl" is a beautiful American play, and is considered a revelation in dramatic literature. It is of the Madison Square order of plays, full of pathos and interspersed with bright bits of mirth-natural as life itself. The company includes that sterling and well-known actor, Mr. George C. Boniface, and other good people. No doubt but the engagement will prove satisfactory to all concerned, inasmuch as Miss Ulmer is society star, and the engagement promises to be a brilliant social event. In this connection the following telegram will explain itself.

Special to the Sentinel.

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 17.—I saw Lizzie May Ulmer in "Dad's Girl" to-night. She is simply great, and the play is one of the best and most interesting I ever saw. M. W. Carr.

THE "BEGGAR STUDENT" AT THE GRAND.

A largely-increased and thoroughly delighted audience witnessed the second performance of "The Beggar Student" by the Messencher Society at the Grand Opera House last evening, and it went even better than on the opening night. Everything moved smoothly, and the audience and the score was sung in such a finished and thoroughly artistic manner, and the orchestration was so nearly perfect as to leave nothing to be wished for. Scores were again numerous for both soloists and choruses, and audience and artists seemed to be perfectly in rapport. Messrs. Heckler, Frenzel, Bannarscheidt, Mummehoff, Barthels, Kraus, Lipman, and Mrs. Frenzel, Miss Beesling, and Miss Adams all acquitted themselves with new beauty, while the chorus came in for a large share of the applause. The mounting and continuing of the opera is so far superior to anything of the kind ever seen here before

as to call for special commendation. There will be no matinee to-day, and the final performance takes place to-night. Those who miss it will miss the greatest musical treat of the season.

Commencing to-morrow evening and continuing for three nights and Saturday matinee at the Grand, the attraction will be that Harry De Launay, the popular comedian, Mr. Nat C. Goodwin, appearing in a grand double bill, "Those Belles" and "Comedians," for the benefit of the Indianapolis Fire Department. The advance sale has been very large, and box-office indications point to the biggest engagement of the season. This season Mr. Goodwin is supported by one of the strongest companies he has ever had, including, among others, Walter Reynolds, Robert Coot, Jr., Alf Fisher, Edward Seabrooke, Edwin F. Goodwin, Miss Adele Waters, Miss Jennie Weatherby, Miss Hattie Delaro and Miss Maggie Holloway.

"LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD."

This sparkling little opera, as rendered by the Rhinehart Juvenile Opera Company, furnishes the entire stage show at the Dime Museum this week, and that it is one of the brightest and best this popular amusement resort has ever given, is fully attested by the large audiences it daily and nightly entertains and delights. It is handsomely mounted and gorgeously costumed, and the opera is given in its entirety. It is full of bright lines and beautiful tableaux, and everything is given with attention to detail worthy the emulation of some of the more pretentious companies. Besides the Rhinehart children there is a chorus of some thirty clever little people that add a pleasing ensemble effect. Miss Bertie Rhinehart, as "Goldilocks" dresses and acts the part in good taste, and her singing is charming. She has a pure, soft voice of wide range, and her pure, bird-like notes are the wonder and admiration of all. Miss Goldie Rhinehart, in the role of "Blondinette" is the most captivating little creature on earth, or, as a lady remarked last night, "just too sweet for anything," and her singing and acting is art itself. A neat little bit, too, is the work of little Stella Rhinehart as "Petersen," while the "Florisette" of Jeanette Rhinehart, and the "Dorinda" of little Clara Rhinehart are equally done. Robby Ralston makes a "Baban" and the "Granny" of Miss Wilson is well done. The songs and dances, and other specialties introduced by the Rhinehart children and Robby Ralston, are in good taste, and are received with round after round of applause at every performance. All in all, the performance is as above the average, and is a museum attraction, and we should not be surprised to see standing-room at a premium before the week is over.

In Crocody Hall, the African "Earth Men," De Estia Lane, "Haired Sisters," Harry De Launay, the Library Company, "Ghost Mystery," Glass Blowers and London Punch and Judy continue to attract much attention. The admission to all is only ten cents.

THE ZOO OPENS TO-NIGHT.

The Alice Oates Barlesque Opera Company arrived last night at 10:30 via the Kanawha Lake, after being snow-bound at Kanawha for nearly six hours or more, and will commence their week's engagement at the Zoo to-night. This will be a pleasing information to the many patrons of this popular resort, and no doubt the house will be picked to overflowing. The Oates Company is one of the best on the road, and is composed of the principal barlesque artists in the profession, numbering over thirty. Everybody will want to see and hear the Queen of Barlesque, Miss Alice Oates, and her superb company, and we predict a boom at the Zoo for the remainder of the week. Matinee to-morrow afternoon, as usual.

NOTES.

Only matinee in the city at English's this afternoon at 2.

The tragedian, Mr. George O. Miln, supported by a good company, will be at English's the first two nights of next week, appearing in "The Poet's Revenge" Monday evening, and "Macbeth" Tuesday evening.

Agents Taylor and Fielding, of the "Cold Day" and "Hanson" "Fantasia" Companies, respectively, were in town a short time yesterday, snow-bound. They got away last night, but these attractions will shortly appear here.

Mr. A. O. Scammon, in advance of the "Two Johns" Comedy Company, which appears at the Grand the first half of the coming week, is in the city perfecting arrangements for the engagements. His attraction has been one of the few paying ones on the road this season.

Mr. George W. June ("Summer Season") will be here to-morrow to herald the coming of the "Three Wives to One Husband" Comedy Company, which appears at the Grand the last half of next week. It is the hope of many cord citizens that "Summer Season" will bring June weather with him.

The prizes offered by Nat Goodwin to the four first companies selling the largest number of tickets for their benefit at the Grand the last three nights of this week, has had a tendency to make the boys "hustle" and they have already sold over 2,000 tickets. The prizes will be distributed on Saturday evening, as follows: To the company selling the largest number, \$15; next largest, \$10; next, \$5, and next, \$2.50.

It Was Not a Murder.

A male invalid residing on Bright street, while in a delirium, at an early hour yesterday morning, rose from bed and went out into the cold street attired in scanty night clothes. His wife ran after him, screaming "murder." The neighborhood was soon aroused, and without trying to discover the real cause of the screams, an enterprising but indiscreet citizen hustled to the nearest telephone and informed the Central Station keeper that a foul crime had been committed on the above-named street. By the time the patrol wagon arrived with a posse of officers the lady had captured her husband and induced him to return to bed.

Advice to Mothers.—MRS. WINSLOW'S HOOTING SYRUP should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It soothes the little sufferer at once. It produces natural, antiseptic, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, soothes the gums, always all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

SOCIETY NOTICES.

MASONIC—A. A. SCOTTISH RITE—Indianapolis Chapter, Rose Croix, meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, Work—Seventeenth and Eighteenth Degrees. W. F. HOLLIDAY, Secretary.

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